

IN THE CLAIMS

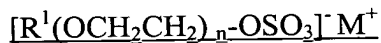
Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A cosmetic composition ~~which comprises the following ingredients comprising:~~

(A) at least one or more types of surfactant selected from the group consisting of a surfactant which has an oxyethylene group in the molecule; and

(B) a suppressant comprising tert-butanol which suppresses smell change or odor generation caused by the at least one surfactant,

wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of materials represented by the following general formula (1):



wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, n represents an integer of 1 to 30, and M represents Na, K, NH₄, or triethanolamine;

materials represented by the following general formula (2):



wherein R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 10;

materials represented by the following general formula (3):



wherein R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and

the amount of tert-butanol is 0.01 to 1,000 ppm based on a total weight of the composition.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The cosmetic composition according to claim 1, wherein ~~the ratio of the~~ at least one surfactant ~~having an oxyethylene group in the molecule~~ is in an amount of 1 to 20 weight % based on ~~[[the]]~~ a total weight of the composition.

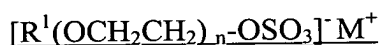
Claims 3-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (currently amended): A method for suppressing smell change or odor generation with passage of time in a cosmetic, comprising:

preparing a composition including [[a]] at least one surfactant having an oxyethylene group ~~in the molecule, which comprises a step of;~~ and

adding a suppressant comprising tert-butanol to said cosmetic composition, the suppressant suppressing smell change or odor generation caused by the at least one surfactant,

wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of materials represented by the following general formula (1):



wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, n represents an integer of 1 to 30, and M represents Na, K, NH₄, or triethanolamine;

materials represented by the following general formula (2):



wherein R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 10;

materials represented by the following general formula (3):



wherein R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and
tert-butanol is added in an amount of 0.01 to 1,000 ppm based on a total weight of the composition.

Claims 6-7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (new): The method according to claim 5, wherein the tert-butanol is added in an amount of 0.05 to 100 ppm based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 9 (new): The method according to claim 5, wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of sodium polyoxyethylene (3) alkyl (12-14) ether sulfate, sodium polyoxyethylene (2) alkyl (12, 13) ether sulfate, castor oil fatty acid monoethanol amide, lauric acid monoethanol amide, castor oil fatty acid diethanol amide, and lauric acid diethanol amide.

Claim 10 (new): The method according to claim 5, wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH₄, or triethanolamine, R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms, R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.

Claim 11 (new): The method according to claim 5, wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH₄, or triethanolamine, R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms, m is 1, and R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.

Claim 12 (new): The cosmetic composition according to claim 1, wherein the amount of the tert-butanol is 0.05 to 100 ppm based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 13 (new): The cosmetic composition according to claim 1, wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of sodium polyoxyethylene (3) alkyl (12-14) ether sulfate, sodium polyoxyethylene (2) alkyl (12, 13) ether sulfate, castor oil fatty acid monoethanol amide, lauric acid monoethanol amide, castor oil fatty acid diethanol amide, and lauric acid diethanol amide.

Claim 14 (new): The cosmetic composition according to claim 1, wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH₄, or triethanolamine, R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms, R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.

Claim 15 (new): The cosmetic composition according to claim 1, wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH₄, or triethanolamine, R² represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms, m is 1, and R³ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.